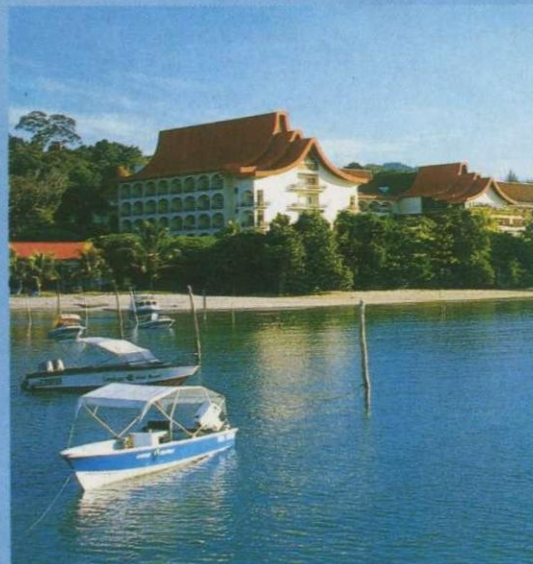


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Kuah Town

Kuah

From Kuala Perlis you will have to disembark at KUAH, the 'capital' of Langkawi, on the South Eastern side of the island – a town offering handicrafts of shell and local marble as well as duty free shopping on its single main street which runs along the waterfront of the bay in which fishing vessels and varied watercraft lie calmly at anchor. You can move about by taking taxis from the jetty Kuah or at the terminal near by shopping centre Toh Soon Huat Supermaket. There is an easy harmony of cultures between the mainly Malay and Chinese population of Kuah, which is nearing 11,000. Delicious freshly caught seafood prepared in the traditional styles of these peoples are available from numerous little restaurants and bazaar stalls scattered throughout Kuah. Surrounded by palms' bent gently by a prevailing breeze is the picturesque Al-Hana Mosque with its golden dome and Moorish arches.



The picturesque Al-Hana mosque by the sea

Legends of Langkawi

A trip into the centre of Langkawi will lead you to the heart of the legends of the Island when you visit MAKAM MAHSURI (The Tomb of Mahsuri), in a small village 12 kilometres from Kuah. Mahsuri was reputed to be a maiden so attractive as to have inspired a vengeful accusation of adultery against her. From the knife wound inflicted to kill her, Mahsuri bled pure white blood onto the ground, a sign of her purity and innocence, and at the moment of her death, placed a curse on Langkawi's prosperity to last for 7 generations. And a little further West, PADANG MATSIRAT (Field of Burnt Rice) — near Beras Terbakar, 18

kilometres from Kuah, where shortly after Mahsuri's death the villagers were forced to burn their rice crops and a granary, in the path of the invading Siamese. Until today, blackened rice can still be seen in the sand, especially after it has rained heavily. Travelling further North through rural scenes of buffaloes wallowing in mud, or straining at the plough in the padi fields chiselled into the hillsides, you will find TELAGA AIR

PANAS/TELAGA AIR HANGAT (Hot Springs). It is told that during a particularly bitter quarrel between the Island's two leading families over a rejected offer of marriage, household items were flung about, and here, where a jug of hot water was smashed to the ground is found this well of hot water.



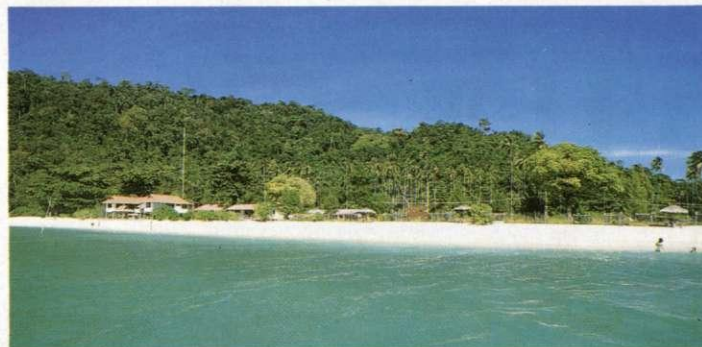
A model Kedah village



The cascading waters of Telaga Tujoh

Tanjung Rhu (Casuarina Beach)

Lined with tall shady Casuarina trees, Tanjung Rhu is a magnificent beach. During low tide you can walk to the secluded neighbouring islands of Pulau Pasir, Pulau Gasing and Pulau Dangli. On a promontory accessible by boat from Tanjung Rhu, you will find GUA CERITA (The Cave of Tales). Here verses of the Quran can be seen carved on the walls in the form of ancient script. To the west of Tanjung Rhu lies Pantai PASIR HITAM (Beach of Black Sand), with its black sand glittering in the sunlight.



One of the numerous sandy beaches and its invitingly emerald waters

Gunung Matcincang & Gunung Raya

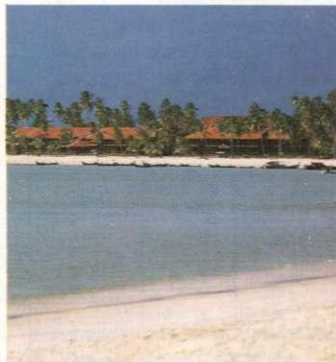
Jungle trekking into the hilly terrain of Gunung Matcincang or Gunung Raya is rewarded along the way by glimpses of exotic birds, wild orchids and other tropical flora and fauna with beautifully coloured butterflies catching your attention amongst the lush greenery. TELAGA TUJUH is a freshwater stream which cascades some 90 metres down through seven pools, providing refreshing and exciting water sports, as the slippery rocks act as slides between the lower pools, and at DURIAN PERANGIN, an idyllic waterfall drops into a crystal clear pool sending fine spray into the clear mountain air.



Crystal clear pools and lush greenery attract picnickers

Pantai Kok, Pantai Cenang and Pantai Tengah

Idyllic resort complexes are set along these beautiful stretches of beachfront. The facilities offered provide for your enjoyment of sailing, from windsurfing and catamaran sailing for which the conditions are ideal with light prevailing winds and warm waters, to cruising in the larger yachts. Faster boats provide convenient access between islands or allow the energetic pursuits of para-gliding and skiing in the calm lagoons.



Exotic resorts provide ample accommodation



A fisherman's paradise, these abundant waters provide plenty of variety for all fishing styles. Snorkelling and scuba equipment with dive boats can also be arranged for a venture into the underwater world. The Langkawi Golf Club, an 18-hole golf course located close to this coastline, offers an alternative for those who shun the sea. Relaxing, sunning the day away, or wandering the secluded shores until the sunsets etch their glorious colours across the sky in the evenings, you will be filled with the calm and contentment of these gentle Islands.

Pulau Dayang Bunting

On this Island to the South of Langkawi is found TASIK DAYANG BUNTING (Lake of the Pregnant Maiden). This glorious fresh water lake is where according to local tale, a couple who had remained childless for nineteen years, drank, and subsequently bore a baby girl.

To the North of the Lake is GUA LANGSIR (The Cave of the Banshee) with a reputation of being haunted, probably induced by the echoing activity of thousands of bats which reside in the awesome interior of the 91-metre high cave.



The limestone outcrops of Pulau Dayang Bunting

Pulau Singa Besar — Wildlife Sanctuary

Monkeys, mousedeer, iguanas, peacocks and singing birds have been freed on Pulau Singa Besar which is being developed as a Wildlife Sanctuary. Picnic on the clear, clean beaches and enjoy swimming and snorkelling in the surrounding waters which are also declared a Marine Reserve.



The Wildlife Park at Pulau Singa Besar



The exotic birds of Pulau Singa Besar

Pulau Payar — Marine Park

This marine park, encompassing four islands accessible after a 3-hour boat journey South of Langkawi, is 13 kilometres West of Kuala Kedah's Coast. The crystal clear waters of the park offer unhindered views of the breathtakingly beautiful soft coral gardens to be found here. Schools of tropical fish abound, the calm waters of the park truly teeming with colourful life.



Underwater haven of Pulau Payar

Things to see and do

- South of the island, not too far offshore lies a breathtakingly beautiful coral garden. It has the reputation of supporting the largest number of coral species in the country. The crystal clear waters make it ideal for swimming, snorkelling, scuba diving and underwater photography.

- Enjoy quiet picnics on the beach where picnic tables and bathroom facilities have been thoughtfully provided for visitors.
- No accommodation is available on the island. Visitors, however, have the option of camping in the great outdoors although it is necessary to obtain prior permission from the Fisheries Department at Alor Setar or Kuala Lumpur.

The establishment of Marine Parks was conceived as a means of preserving and protecting areas of natural beauty from the impact of development. Another important objective is the upgrading and preservation of the natural habitat of endangered species of aquatic life. Specific zones have thus been earmarked for research and educational activities as well as for recreation.

Whilst every effort has been made to enable visitors to enjoy this gift of nature, the Fisheries Act of 1985 prohibits the following:

- Anchoring of boats over coral areas
- Water skiing
- Spear fishing
- Fishing
- Carrying and using weapons that endanger aquatic life
- Collection of corals and other aquatic life
- Littering
- Lighting fires on the beach



The crystal clear depths of Langkawi's waters

Bookings to Pulau Payar can be made at the local travel agents or boat operator. For further information, please contact:

Langkawi Adventure Sdn Bhd
Pantai Tengah Mukim Kedawang
07000 Pulau Langkawi
Tel: 04-911533



How to get there

By road

The journey involves an 8-9 hours drive from Kuala Lumpur to Kuala Kedah while to Kuala Perlis (also from Kuala Lumpur) the journey takes about 10 hours.

For those who travel by car, tourist car parks are available at Kuala Kedah and Kuala Perlis. Then board an express boat or ferry to Langkawi where local transport like buses, taxis and car rental are available at Langkawi Kuah Jetty.

By Air

Langkawi airport at Padang Mat Sirat is about 20 km from Kuah and 14 km from the beach resorts in Pantai Cenang. Malaysia Airlines and Pelangi Air operates daily flights between Kuala Lumpur and Langkawi (direct) and via Penang. For reservations please contact: Malaysia Airlines Tel: 03-7463000 and Pelangi Air, Tel: 03-7465524/7703405.

By Rail

Keretapi Tanah Melayu (KTM) provides comfortable and economical rail service, from Kuala Lumpur to Alor Setar (Kedah) and Arau (Perlis). From Alor Setar/Arau you can take a taxi or bus to Kuala Kedah/Kuala Perlis and from there by express ferry to Langkawi. Please contact KTM Tel: 03-2747435 for reservation and confirmation.

Ferry Schedule

There is a luxurious High-speed ferry shuttle service providing scheduled crossings between the mainland: Kuala Kedah/Kuala Perlis and Langkawi (Kuah Jetty). For enquiring purpose please contact: Langkawi Ferry Service Sdn. Bhd. (Kuala Kedah): 04-921201

Water Tour Development: 04-744075
Samavest Sdn. Bhd.: 04-754440

Kuala Perlis Langkawi Ferry Service
(Kuala Perlis): 04-754406



Ferry services link Langkawi to the mainland

Kuala Kedah to Langkawi (Aircond)		
Departure	Fare (M\$) Adult	Children
8.30	\$13.00	\$8.00 (below 12 yrs)
9.30		
12.30		
3.30		
6.30		
Kuala Perlis to Langkawi (Aircond)		
Departure	Fare (M\$) Adult	Fare (M\$) Children
9.00 am	\$11.00 to \$13.00	\$6.00 to \$7.00 (below 12 yrs)
9.50		
10.40		
11.30		
12.20		
1.10		
2.00		
2.50		
3.30		
4.20		
5.10		
6.00		

* The above schedule is given by Langkawi Ferry Service Sdn. Bhd.

Accommodation

Langkawi Island's towns and resorts offer a wide range of accommodation. There are first class hotels and moderate & low-priced hotels. Small hotels and chalets are other interesting options.

PELANGI BEACH RESORT

Pantai Cenang 350 Rooms From M\$264.00 - M\$1,298.00
Tel: 04-911001

LANGKAWI HOLIDAY VILLA

Pantai Tengah 258 Rooms From M\$200 - M\$1600.00
Tel: 04-911701

LANGKAWI VILLAGE RESORT

Pantai Tengah 100 Rooms From M\$135.00 - M\$160.00
Tel: 04-911511

SHERATON LANGKAWI RESORT

Teluk Nibong 300 Rooms From M\$347.60 - M\$1,512.00
Tel: 04-911901

LANGKAWI ISLAND RESORT

Pantai Syed Omar 213 Rooms From M\$157.00 - M\$1,500.00
Tel: 04-916209

BURAU BAY RESORT

Teluk Burau 150 Rooms From M\$180.00 - M\$660.00
Tel: 04-911602

MUTIARA COURT SDN BHD

Tanjung Rhu 134 Rooms From M\$330.00 - M\$1,600.00
Tel: 04-917873

MUTIARA BEACH RESORT

Pantai Tanjung Rhu 68 Rooms From M\$150.00 - M\$220.00
Tel: 04-916488

NADIA'S INN

Pantai Cenang 98 Rooms M\$110.00
Tel: 04-911401

DELIMA BEACH RESORT

Pantai Cenang, Kuala Muda. 1500 Rooms From M\$100 - M\$160.00
Tel: 04-911801

HOTEL ASIA

No. 1, Jln Persiaran Putra, Kuah. 16 Rooms From M\$50.00 - M\$70.00
Tel: 04-916216

CAPTAIN RESORT

Lot. 82, Jln Penarak, Kuah. 40 Rooms From M\$40.00 - M\$75.00
Tel: 04-917100

LANGKAPURI

Pantai Cenang 26 Rooms From M\$95.00 - M\$125.00
Tel: 04-911202

SUNSET BEACH RESORT

Pulau Tuba 21 Rooms From M\$45.00 - M\$100.00
Tel: 04-911751

BEACH GARDEN

Tel: 04-911363 12 Rooms From M\$137.50 - M\$159.00

SERI PULAU MOTEL

Kuah 33 Rooms From M\$20.00 - M\$50.00
Tel: 04-917185

LANGKAWI CHALET

Kuah 50 Rooms From M\$18.00 - M\$90.00
Tel: 04-917993

LAST RESORT,

Pantai Kok 12 Rooms From M\$30.00 - M\$80.00
Tel: 04-911046

HOTEL LANGKASUKA

Kuah 44 Rooms From M\$66.00 - M\$132.00
Tel: 04-916828, 916752

REGION HOTEL

Kuah 75 Rooms From M\$88.00 - M\$120.00
Tel: 04-917719

BERINGIN BEACH RESORT

Pantai Dato Syed Omar 40 Rooms M\$75.00
Kuah, Tel: 04-916966

INAPAN DESA PERMAI

Kg. Padang Wahid, Mukim Kedawang 60 Rooms From M\$20.00 - M\$60.00
Tel: 04-911086

CINDAYU RESORT

Jln Ulu Merekah, 18 Rooms From M\$35.00 - M\$50.00
Padang Mat Sirat,
Tel: 04-911749

COUNTRY BEACH MOTEL

Pantai Kok 27 Rooms From M\$15.00 - M\$60.00
Tel: 04-911212

PANTAI KOK MOTEL

Jln Teluk Burau 21 Rooms From M\$15.00 - M\$65.00
Tel: 04-911048

DAYANG BEACH RESORT

Pantai Kok 18 Rooms From M\$30.00 - M\$60.00
Tel: 04-911058

SEMARAK BEACH RESORT

Pantai Cenang 28 Rooms From M\$68.00 - M\$250.00
Tel: 04-911377

SANDY BEACH MOTEL

Pantai Cenang 120 Rooms From M\$30.00 - M\$100.00
Tel: 04-911308

BEACH VIEW MOTEL

Pantai Cenang 25 Rooms From M\$25.00 - M\$45.00
Tel: 04-911186

A.B. MOTEL

Pantai Cenang 26 Rooms From M\$30.00 - M\$70.00
Tel: 04-911300

SAMILA BEACH MOTEL

Pantai Cenang, 12 Chalets From M\$25.00 - M\$65.00
Tel: 04-911964

TANJUNG MALI MOTEL

Pantai Tengah 26 Rooms From M\$30.00 - M\$85.00
Tel: 04-911891

DELTA MOTEL & RESTAURANT

Pantai Cenang 20 Rooms From M\$35.00 - M\$55.00
Tel: 04-911307

HOTEL LANGKAWI

Kuah 20 Rooms From M\$20.00 - M\$65.00
Tel: 04-916248

CHARLIE MOTEL & RESTAURANT

Pantai Tengah. 19 Rooms From M\$30.00 - M\$55.00
Tel: 04-911200

MILA BEACH MOTEL

Pantai Kok 9 Rooms From M\$25.00 - M\$50.00
Tel: 04-911049

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